

281—25.13 (260H) Eligibility criteria for projects. Projects eligible for funding for PACE shall be projects that further the ability of members of target populations to secure gainful, quality employment; that further partnerships linking community colleges to industry and nonprofit organizations; and that further the following program outcomes:

25.13(1) Enabling members of the target populations to:

- a.* Acquire and demonstrate competency in basic skills.
- b.* Acquire and demonstrate competency in a specified technical field.
- c.* Complete a specified level of postsecondary education.
- d.* Earn a national career readiness certificate.
- e.* Obtain employer-validated credentials.
- f.* Secure gainful employment in high-quality, local jobs.

25.13(2) Meeting economic and employment goals including but not limited to:

- a.* Economic and workforce development requirements in each region served by the community colleges as defined by regional advisory boards established pursuant to Iowa Code section 84A.4.
- b.* Needs of industry partners in areas including but not limited to the fields of information technology, health care, advanced manufacturing, transportation and logistics, and any other industry designated as in-demand by a regional advisory board established pursuant to Iowa Code section 84A.4.

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